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equitable liens and the absence of these securities from the civil law, renders the latter perfectly clear. We believe the study of comparative jurisprudence thus presented cannot fail to be of value to the student of the common law.

Among the subjects treated by the author are the nature and subject matter of the pledge, its forms and essentials, the nature of the pledgee's possession, his rights and obligations; sub-pledge; pledges of bills of lading, warehouse receipts, corporate stock, insurance policies, etc.; pledges by factors; equitable liens, etc. Under each topic the distinctions and similarities of the two systems of jurisprudence are carefully pointed out and explained. The book is supplemented by a collection of forms, and a good index.

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THE LAW AND PRACTICE RELATING TO WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY, WITH SUPPLEMENT. By W. ELLIS HILL, M. A. London: Waterlow & Sons, Limited. 1898.

The author first gives a brief account of the liability of the employer at common law in a very pleasing and attractive manner, the text being supplied with some of the leading cases on the subject. He next takes up the Employer's Liability Act, 1880, and shows the reason for its passage, and discusses the various provisions of the Act. The book contains the material sections of the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1878 to 1895, and Lord Campbell's Act. The chapter on the Workman's Compensation Act, 1897, is arranged in a systematic and logical way to show the provisions of that Act. In Appendix A the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, is discussed by sections, and all the cases which he considers of any value as containing decisions on points of law arising under that Act, of persons whose occupation is well defined, are commented upon. Appendix C contains a list of forms to be used under the various Acts. The arrangement of the book is good. The type is clear, plain and distinct. The book is marked by the absence of foot notes in small type, which is certainly a good feature. It will be of much use to the English practitioner and student.

J. E. S.

THE LAW OF PARTNERSHIP. By FRANCIS M. BURDICK. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. 1899.

Mr. Burdick's volume is a valuable addition to the numerous collection of works on the important subject of partnership law. The arrangement of the book is the same as that followed by the author in his "Selected Cases on the Law of Partnership," published last year. The language is remarkably clear and forcible, and free from legal verbiage. At the head of each chapter the author gives

a resumé of what has been said on the subject about to be treated of, in former chapters. No new theories or original opinions are advanced by Mr. Burdick, his object apparently being to state the law of partnership, in its manifold aspects, as he has found it in statute books and judicial decisions. The chapter entitled "Partnership as to Third Persons," an unfortunate misnomer, is a systematic and logical exposition of the evolution of the present theory of what constitutes a partnership from the celebrated case of *Grace v. Smith*. The appendix containing the Partnership Statute Law of New York will be of invaluable assistance to practitioners in that state. Mr. Burdick's book is a concise, yet comprehensive treatise of partnership law, and will be read with profit by student and lawyer.

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